

Current literature

Information literacy

Duncan, V. and Holtslander, L. (2012) Utilizing grounded theory to explore the information-seeking behavior of senior nursing students. **Journal of the Medical Library Association**. [Internet] 100(1), pp20-27.

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3257490/> (Open Access)

This study examined the strategies used by undergraduate nursing students to retrieve information for assignments and identified barriers to their success. This article is of particular interest to anyone responsible for teaching information literacy skills to nursing students.

Dunne, M. (2011) Barriers and Facilitators to Research Use Among Allied Health Practitioners: A Mixed-Method Approach to Assessment. **Evidence Based Library and Information Practice**. [Internet] 6(4), pp41-56.

<http://ejournals.library.ualberta.ca/index.php/EBLIP/article/view/11750> (Open Access)

This article reports the findings of a study which aimed to identify barriers and facilitators to research use among allied health practitioners. The article also examines the potential for health librarians to help remove any barriers through the services they provide.

Moore, M. (2011) Teaching Physicians to Make Informed Decisions in the Face of Uncertainty: Librarians and Informaticians on the Health Care Team. **Academic Medicine**. [Internet] 86(11), p1345.

http://journals.lww.com/academicmedicine/Citation/2011/11000/Teaching_Physicians_to_Make_Informed_Decisions_in.19.aspx (Open Access)

This brief article is a response to the Academic Medicine (Journal of the Association of American Medical Colleges) 2011 Question of the Year.

Global librarianship

Roderer, N., Lamont, A., Anton, B. and Obst, O. (2011) The closing of the Welch Library building: interview with the Director, Nancy Roderer. **Journal of the European Association for Health Information and Libraries**. [Internet] 7(4), pp7-10.

http://www.eahil.net/journal/journal_2011_vol7_n4.pdf (Open Access)

An interview with Nancy Roderer, Director of the recently closed Welch Medical Library in Baltimore, USA. The interview seeks to better understand the reasons behind the library closure and to share this information for the benefit of other library services.

New technologies / Web 2.0

Chu, S. K. W. et al. (2011) Examining the application of Web 2.0 in medical-related organisations. **Health Information and Libraries Journal**. [Internet] Early online publication DOI: 10.1111/j.1471-1842.2011.00970.x

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1471-1842.2011.00970.x/abstract>

A study examining the application of Web 2.0 in health-related organisations, including university medical libraries and hospitals. The study found that overall the use of Web 2.0 improves the flow of knowledge and information between individuals and that these benefits mostly outweigh any difficulties encountered.

Health librarianship

Gordon, S. (2011) Why libraries aren't dead: open access and the evolving liaison role. **Journal of the Canadian Health Libraries Association**. [Internet] 32(3), pp165-167.

<http://pubs.chla-absc.ca/doi/abs/10.5596/c11-053> (Open Access)

This article follows on from an article mentioned in the December edition of the Current Literature Column - 'Open access and health librarians in 2011'. It is the second in a series of commentaries from members of the Open Access Interest Group of the Canadian Health Libraries Association.

Lewis, S. et al. (2011) Employers' Perspectives on Future Roles and Skills Requirements for Australian Health Librarians. **Evidence Based Library and Information Practice**. [Internet] 6(4), pp57-71.

<http://ejournals.library.ualberta.ca/index.php/EBLIP/article/view/10340> (Open Access)

A study examining employers' views on the extent to which health librarians contribute towards the objectives of their organisations, as well as the current and future skills requirements of health librarians.

Plutchak, T. Scott (2012) Breaking the barriers of time and space: the dawning of the great age of librarians. **Journal of the Medical Library Association**. [Internet] 100(1), pp10-19.

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3257492/> (Open Access)

The Janet Doe Lecture on the history or philosophy of medical librarianship, presented at the 111th Annual Meeting of the Medical Library Association by T. Scott Plutchak, director of the Lister Hill Library at the University of Alabama. The lecture reflects on the future roles of librarians in an age where the physical space provided by libraries is under threat.

Sutton, A. and Booth, A. (2011) What type of leader am I?: a training needs analysis of health library and information managers. **Health Information and Libraries Journal**. [Internet] Early online publication DOI: 10.1111/j.1471-1842.2011.00967.x

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1471-1842.2011.00967.x/abstract>

An interesting article which will be of particular interest to library managers. The article outlines the optimum leadership style of managers during challenging times, as well as emphasising the importance of 360° feedback from subordinates, peers and supervisors.

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